

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:	)		
		:	Examiner: H. Akhavannik	
Jun YOSHIDA, ET AL.		)	RECEIVED	
		:	Group Art Unit: 2621 RECEIVED	
Appln. No.: 09/440,467		)	OCT 2 9 2004	
Filed: November 15, 1999		: ) :	Technology Center 26	
For:	DATA PROCESSING	)	October 27, 2004	
	APPARATUS AND METHOD,	:		
	AND STORAGE MEDIUM	)		
	THEREFOR	:		

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, and in response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows.

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Docket No.: 03500.014025

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminar	y Amendment in the above-identified application.
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Additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

		CL	AIMS AS AMEND	ED		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	5	MINUS	27	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	15	0	x \$43 \$86	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multi	ple Dependent clair	ns \$135°/\$2	280			
			TOTAL ADDITION			\$ 0.00

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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	\$ 0.00
°Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.	
A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.	

1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees u 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.  A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.  A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.		Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.  X Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone a	X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06 1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
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	X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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